

Rec 8/30/72

Dear Roger:

I would like to have your condition census over a couple of half cents if at all possible. Do your censuses do you take into account of those in ANA?

I would like to know about the following.

1794 Cmm #8 (How many with breaks)  
1804 Cmm #4  
1825 Cmm #1

Are there any die states of 1802 Cmm #6  
that are fairly tough to get?

It was a pleasure visiting with you. If I get a chance I hope to drop-in again.

Yours truly

Thomas J. Katman  
907 Phillips Road  
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18974

Thomas S. Kalman  
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8/31/72

Dear Tom,

I send you the first from Lester below  
the last two classes AS I HAVE IT RECORDED  
Great collection of Howard seen or heard of all  
specimens and probably Grade Correspondingly.

1734 Cmn. #8 - (Partly Estimated at 6 (13-30 Specimen.)

(1) Aves - 50 Shew Collection

(2) Figs - 50 Brabston ✓

(3) 12-20 Bonhator ✓ Broken  
Recurve Dsc

(4) 11-12 Alward Collection

(5) 22-8 RSC Collection

(6) 10-5 Gross Collection Broken  
Recurve Dsc

13 upon can see & only know of 2 Specimen  
With the Brabston recurve dsc. Were you able to buy  
the Brabston specimen.

1904 Cmn. #4 - Partly estimated at 6 (13-30 Specimen)

(1) 5-40 Brabston Collection

(2) 11-7 Eaton <sup>Diffract</sup> - Skower Collection

(3) 11F-30 w/le Edge Neck - Ungar Collection

(4) F-12 RSC Collection

(5) VG-10 W.S. Raymond Collection

(6) GG-10 Ungar Collection

1825 CNM #1 Party estimated at 3 - This is lower  
than they had. I have just seen to many of these  
to be a 4. I have 19 specimens in my own Collection  
I collect them by reverse the Rotation as far as  
the Condition Classes is concerned I have records of  
at least 6 specimens in Condition higher than BUNC-50  
My specimen is a 60

Now onto the 1804 CNM #6. Even though Gilbert  
lists die states remember that as a die breaks each  
specimen is different. I have 16 different stages of the  
die all. No two are exactly the same. In my ~~other~~  
observations here's what I've found.

Perfect Die - Never seen one. I have a specimen  
that appears almost to be perfect but it can still see  
Minor cracks

State 1 - Common

State 2 - Common

State 3 - Scarce

State 4 - Never seen one. I'm enclosing Drawing

State 5 - Scarce

State 6 - Common

State 7 - Somewhat scarce

State 8 - Common

I give this concludes my answer to your  
question. What have you picked up lately?  
I got a bunch of die states of various varieties and a  
few upgrades at the ANA. I'm currently negotiating  
for a very large collection of half cents. It has  
133 coins and 84 different varieties. If I get it it  
will have all 96 varieties listed in my book and  
would pick up 43 upgrades but then I would have  
a pile of duplicates to dispose of. I'll let you know  
if the deal goes through if you're interested in acquiring  
one.

Sincerely

Roger

215-675-5685

Dear Roger

Thank you for the information you sent me. It is quite useful.

I picked up a 94-<sup>cnw</sup> and another die state of 97 Conn 1.

I would be interested in the possibility of purchasing some of your duplicates if you buy the collection.

I have not purchased the Brokson 94 Conn 8 with the die break. I didn't want to put out that much for one coin at this time. He has no other customers for it so it won't be sold.

I have located a 1796 with pole. It is corroded something awful. It looks like it was buried for 100 years! Everything on the obverse is readable although the left side of date 17 is tough to see and rough. I can probably pick up for \$300. I don't think it is worth it however. You can make out almost everything but it is not pretty.

Yours truly

Thomas S. Katman  
THOMAS S. KATMAN  
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P.S. Some Alvord Collection pieces are up for sale at the GENA Convention auction.

215-675-5675

Dear Roger

Enclosed find the 1794 G3 and  
the 1805 G3 that

Let me know what you think they  
are. I have not purchased the 1794 as the  
dealer wants \$632.50 for it. If you had  
your pick would you rather have a G2 F15  
or this particular G3A. I can't make  
up my mind which of the two I want.

I'll let you know when I get  
something new.

Yours truly  
Thomas S. Katman

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### Other Tools

The most popular method used in the literature is the cross-validation technique. This technique is based on the idea of splitting the data into two sets, training set and testing set. The model is trained on the training set and its performance is evaluated on the testing set.

Another approach is to use ensemble learning methods which combine multiple models to improve the overall performance.

### Conclusion

Rec 11/10/73

↓ See you) need additional information about me know →

Dear Roger

Here is the information about  
Manly & Orr printers as listed in the  
city directory.

Year	Information
1836	Hector Orr at 227 Arch Street
1838 & 1839	Hector Orr at 157 5 <sup>th</sup> Street
1840 & 1841	Manly and Orr at 45 Chestnut St.
1840 & 1841	Hector Orr at 45 Chestnut, St.
1840 & 1841	Henry Manly at 45 Chestnut St
1842 & 1843	Manly, Orr, & Lippincott at 45 Chestnut, St.
1842 (only)	Henry Manly at 45 Chestnut St.
1843	Henry <sup>NOT REINATED</sup> Manly (Capt.) at 43 Chestnut St.
1844 & 1843	Hector Orr at 45 Chestnut St.
1844??	Hector Orr at 45 Chestnut Street
1845 & 1846	Henry Manly (Capt) at 43 Chestnut St
<p>Same as 1845 I think but note misspelled</p>	
1855	Hector Orr at ? (My notes mixed up)
1857	Hector Orr

There is no mention of Manly as a printer  
after 1844. Also Manly & Orr seem to  
have been joined by someone else

In 1843 there is no mention  
of this partnership later. Could the mint have  
had these printed at <sup>later</sup> some time? I  
don't know. I personally think that the  
cards are probably of the early 1840's.

Enclose ~~a couple~~ three coins for  
your inspection (and my questions!)

1. 1805 (G1) seems double cut or double  
struck on front of face

2. 1804 (G6) Is this an library of the  
(Fothira VF30) die that caused the die to  
be reworked? It appears to be on the correct spot for the  
spike

3. #1794 (G4) Is there a die break around  
(Fothira VG10) the 2 of 200 that is not listed.

This appears to be late in die life.

4. What is the condition census for 1805 G3?  
I note that a VF-XF is advertised in L-17-73  
Coin World for \$650<sup>00</sup>

THOMAS S. KATHMAN  
907 PHILLIPS ROAD  
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18774







Dear Mr. Katman

March 19, 1973

Read with interest your recent EAC article on Gilbert - 8 1804. My own piece, which I had always assumed was the final die state, is most certainly a Die State - 9. I am an extremely conservative grader (Dennis Loring has been my mentor) and I carry the coin as a VF30 but it has many claims to EF40. I always find it difficult grading a coin with large die breaks because of the flat places that occur opposite the breaks. What follows is as complete a description as I can muster. Reverse: All die breaks you describe are strong including break from "O" to rim - die break from tip of right-hand stem is strong and visible without glass - veins in leaves are present on most but not all, inside pair of leaves at "H" in HALF are almost ghost-like - denticles are strong, especially under second "O" in 200

Obverse: hair is slightly worn but the entire obverse appears to be flatly-struck - tongue and spiked chin are very strong to naked eye - "LIBERTY" strong at bottom - very weak on tops of letters - denticles are almost non-existent on entire obverse but are faintly visible from 4 to 10 o'clock - date strong as are lowest curls - most interesting is a large very visible die bulge or buckle in right field also in this field are rippling defects from die or planchet.

Overall: The coin has no nicks, dings, dents, rim problems, or scratches and is a very pleasing brown color.

If you would like to see this coin please advise and I will send. As far as purchasing it I will not sell for cash but would consider a trade that

included any Die State of Gilbert-8  
1804 in equivalent or higher grade  
(note - coin must be free of all  
nicks, dings, scratches or imperfections  
in color i.e. like my present piece)  
plus some little goodie that I do  
not have which is clean of defects  
in grades at least F12. I have  
concentrated on the Large Cents but  
buy nice half cents when available  
so large cents would be equally  
acceptable in trade although my  
collections is far more extensive.

WILLIAM C. NOYES  
RFD #1 ROCKY POINT  
BUZZARDS BAY, MASS.  
02532  
617-759-4492

Sincerely,  
William C. Noyes

Dear Roger,

I was sorry we couldn't get together Tuesday but business is business. I enclose a copy of the letter about the G8 (1804) State 91. Feel free to write to him.

I would like your grade for the 1804 G5 (no break you gave me when I was in Washington).

According to my information the 1804 G9 die states rarities are as follows:

State 0 (no break)	tied for 2 <sup>nd</sup> most common
State 1 (crack in obverse)	most common
State 2 (end of OF + break)	tied for 2 <sup>nd</sup> most common
State 3 (big end OF - AMERI)	very rare
State 4 (Alvord break)	rarest

Is this accurate or is state 0 more rare than state 2.

I have written to J. Coscia and will submit an article or two for 7-15-74 PW  
Sincerely yours

Tom

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Katman

5/31/74

Dear Tom,

I'm sorry to delay so long but my bike has been  
in a lured for the last 6 weeks & I'm returning  
the 1804 C-9 but keeping the 1805 C-1 double  
profile. Will get in touch with you when  
things get back on the track so I can  
enjoy cars again.

Sincerely  
Roger

Rec 5/23/73

Dear Roger

I have come across a problem with my 1804 Gilbert 8 half cents. My state 6 differs from my state 7 in the following ways:

- ① The break over the C of America extends down near the knot rope.
- ② The break over N of United extends over the I of United.

One of these two extensions must be the first one. Do you know which of the two extensions comes first? Gilbert doesn't list the extension over the I.

Also are the figures in your book state 2, State 3, and State 8?

I wrote Mr Smith about the 1805 G4 and the 1803 use 1. He indicated that he had sent them to you. Were they graded properly and were they worth the price. Did you keep the

two coins)? I had him send me  
a F15 coin and it turned out  
to be a F15 (with 3 attempted  
punches).

Yours truly  
Tom

THOMAS S. KATMAN  
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5/23/73

Dear Tom,

My Notes on 1804 Collector No. 8 (Cain #6)  
indicate that State 7 differs from State 6  
on 3 items.

(1)



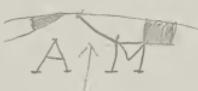
FURTHER EXTENSION  
OF RIM BREAK

(2)



Further EXTENSION  
OF RIM BREAK

(3)



THIS CRACK IS NEW

I do not have any specimens that show only 1 or 2 of these features. I doubt that all three occurred at once.

Yes. The States illustrated in the book are  
2, 3 + 8

Bill Smith's Cain which formerly were  
May Chatlans seem to have been sold very quickly.  
I was satisfied with the ones I got. Actually I was  
buying for another collector. Smith sent me a list  
about a week before the general mailing. Which  
variety was the F-15 with 3 alleged punchs?

Sincerely

Tuesday 6.19.73

Dear Roger:

The coin Smith sent me was the 1804 Gilbert 8 state 6 in fine @ \$15<sup>00</sup>. It had three deep gauges.

I recently picked up a 1804 Gilbert 11 in a late die state. I enclose it for your inspection. I also enclose the 1804 Gilbert 9 I purchased from W.H. Laymond. The 11 is Fine (I think) and the 9 is VG (I think). I would like your opinion.

I do not see the complete die break across the wreath below the O of ~~THE~~ OF as my other Gilbert 11 has. What is the condition census on the Gilbert 11?

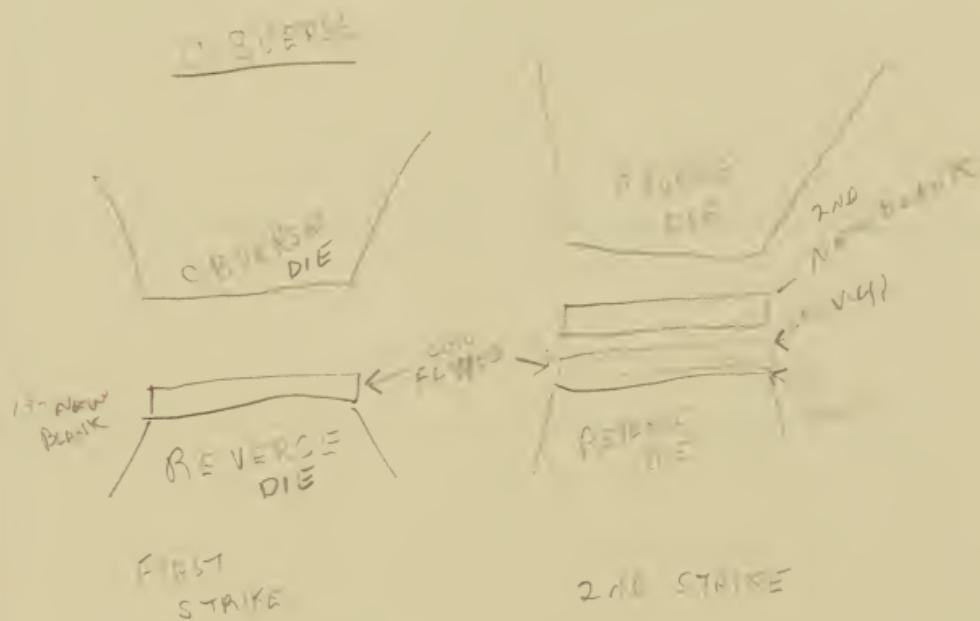
I will not be near Washington this year. Dad doesn't want to go and the only reason I went was to give him company.

Do you know of any 1805 Gilbert 4's that are for sale at the present time? I am ~~still~~ now looking for one!

Yours  
Tom

THOMAS S. KATMAN

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WARMINSTER, PENNA. 18974





### HISTOLOGY IN CROSSES

120 - 2nd year - Now both old medullary fractures have callus - has formed / few depressions only.

2nd - above - in Region due to complete Fracture  
Knew - in Region stuck over Broach

Knows - Operated

ROGER S. COHEN, JR.  
4720 MONTGOMERY LANE  
BETHESDA, MD. 20014

7/17/73

Dear Tom,

Welcome to the EAC. I saw your name among the New Members in the 7/15/73 issue. There sure was a lot on Half Cents in this issue.

I'm returning your coins. Try as I may I just don't seem to be able to sneak off work for a day and visit you in Philadelphia. I'm going to try in August in the meantime - I feel rather guilty keeping your coins.

I graded the 1804 CMM#5 (C-11) as a F-12. This was far away from the Condon Census. At the present time I have 8 coins from EF-40 to MS-60. I also am of the opinion that the rarity should be 4. I have handled 25 different specimens in the last 4 years. Your specimen is a rather early one in that the bulge on the obverse has not fully developed. Nor has the reverse crack become fully connected.

The 1804 CMM#7 (C-9) is a very interesting break strike. I feel that it is the result of some playing around at the mint. The reverse particularly seems to be struck over breakage. It's a very interesting example of a mistake break where I would call it V.G. 10 but the strike error (deliberate or otherwise) makes it hard to grade. I doubt that W.K. Roepnor had any idea what he had.

I haven't done much lately. Last week end I picked  
up an 1804 CMM #6 (4-8) State 5 in Fine. I am of course  
negotiating on the finest known 1808 CMM #1. There is a  
too long story about this coin. It's genuine but it's  
too long and painful for me to write it all out.

Thanks for letting me see the coin

Sincerely  
Roger

Dear Roger

Enclosed find 2 coins      1804 G8 state 3  
                                1794 G8 #

Please grade and tell me about 1794.  
It worth \$200<sup>ea</sup>.

Yours truly

Thomas Katman  
907 Phillips Road  
Warminster, Penna.

P. S. Get these back to me as quickly  
as possible      18974.





To the following Bill

the people now do the law making  
legislature to work for another month  
to settle their own internal differences  
and to withdraw themselves from  
the rest of England etc etc  
which will give me time to get back  
to you to work but also very few  
of us here have been able to  
keep up with our work - too  
I am not about giving the  
details as to how many men of all









Dear Roger

Enclosed find the letter I plan to  
send to E&C. Please let me know your  
comments on it.

Yours  
Tom

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WARMINSTER, PA  
18974

P.S. Must submit by 8-31-73





Rec 10/5/73

Dear Roger

I received your article and found it ~~to~~ interesting.  
I called you but you were asleep. Give me a  
call some evening between 8-11. My comments  
are primarily English. I acted as an editor  
only. Should I not get a phone call I'll drop you a line  
with my comments.

I feel you should explain whether the  
grading is Brown & Dunn or Sheldon. This is  
rather important I feel. If you use Sheldon you  
could list numerical ranges for the grades. This  
would allow for the differences of opinion.

~~I am not sure~~

I do not know whether I will be at MABA.  
If I go it will be only for Saturday or Sunday!

Yours  
Tom Katuran

TOM SUGAR  
USA  
PAUL T.  
SUGAR  
1974

Oct 1974

Oct 17/73

907 Phillips Rd.  
Warminster PA  
18974  
215-675-5685

Dear Tom

Enclosed is a revised copy of my article. I plan to call you on Thursday night. 10/11.

I much appreciate your comment on the Sheldon Scale - the US Dime + Broom. If you will notice I have changed. As you know I don't use D+B Nor do I use that even further lowering known as "Photoplate".

In the future when you want to call me call on 301-652-6316. This is an unlisted number which rings in my office or home. The number 301-229-6891 is my listed home number and she told my family that if anyone calls and she's asleep not to wake me. It's usually a client with a problem that could wait till the next day. She also told them to wake me when 652-6316 rings. For coins I don't need being awakened.

Will call you Thursday

Sincerely

Boggs

PS on Home of Stewart  
1974 G-8

See you -

Friends find the 1793 half cent still at  
purchase by 350<sup>0</sup> kept until wear like on  
Tuesday!

Yours truly,

James L. Nitze  
907 Phillips Road  
Hammond, Pennsylvania  
19030

P.D. You <sup>will</sup> take the coins off the 1793 half cent  
by stamp on it (like paper) and return it  
home under one of your family collection  
stamps.

Rec 10/10/10

Per phone Conversation  
10/11 - I purchased from

Hin for 350<sup>0</sup> +  
1804 Cm<sup>n</sup> #8 With break

350 + one of each

1804	Q-7	With Brads	about 4
1804	G-5	Without Brads	
1804	G-6	use 1	

1792

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Dear Roger,

You coin and check arrived in good shape and the coin was nicer than I requested. I graded it in the 10-12 range. What is it - Are you going to MANA. If an EAC group is getting together I might get away on Saturday and come up. I plan to send my final \$200<sup>00</sup> payment to The House of Stuart and then should receive the £8 (94). Will let you know when I get it.

The news as of now

Yours truly

Thomas S. Katzman  
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P.S. Rather than a picture of the half cent reverse - Do you have ~~the~~ a way of enlarging the <sup>old</sup> drawings of Brown & Dunn.

P.P.S. Just saw the Netherlands catalog of sole of large cents - It is a big Galo. Are you going?

Dear Roger,

I just picked up the 1793 large cent. I would like to know if you can use it! Also —  
1. Can the crust on the surface be removed?  
2. What would you grade the coin?

Do not send the coin back to me unless you definitely do not want it. We can probably get together.

Are you planning to go to MANA next weekend? If you are — let me know. I hope to go up.  
Has your article been submitted to Spring Wise yet?

Yours truly  
Thomas S. Katman  
THOMAS S. KATMAN  
907 PHILLIPS ROAD  
WARMINSTER, PENNSYLVANIA  
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Dear Roger,

If you friend won't go \$85<sup>00</sup>  
try and get the \$80<sup>00</sup> because that  
way ~~I can~~ tell my friend I got  
rid of his corn. Let me know approximate  
date to check so I can let my friend  
know!

I just heard that a large collection  
of half cents is coming on the market —  
I think it was called the Ryder collection.  
Supposedly it contains upwards of  
100 1802's (all good or better).  
What do you know of this? Is this the  
hoard of 1802's you mentioned to me?  
I understand there are several little  
edge 1797's included. I am getting one  
sent to me on approval (Maybe) We'll  
have to wait and see,

Yours  
Tom Katman

11/18/93

Dear Tom,

I just talked to Bill Schmidt (My Client  
Who wants the 1993 large cow you sent) He says  
he definitely wants it and will pay me the same  
amount as my check.

It was good to hear from you and will  
keep you tuned.

Sincerely,  
Roger

215-675-5685

Dear Roger

Enclosed find a coin that was sent  
to me on consignment @ \$360.<sup>00</sup>  
Is it real? Also, do you think the  
price is O.K. or too much.

Yours truly  
Thomas S. Katman

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12/1/73

Dear Tom

Enclosed is the 1797 letter edge. as I  
Send over the phone.....

also the Pressings of the 1804 G-8 with the  
large break over O of OF. I understand but  
have never seen a Cud over the O. Please  
return these Pressings to me.

Stanwood  
Roger

*Recd*  
Dear Roger

Enclosed find the two pressings  
you sent me along with my Gilbert &  
late date state pressing. It appears to  
be similar to the one you sent me. If you  
want to see the coin let me know.

Thank you

Thomas S. Katman  
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12/30/73

①  
IS COIN  
ANDERSON  
DU PONT  
SPECIMEN?

Robert F. Batchelder  
1 West Butler Ave.  
Amherst, Mass. 19002

②  
WHO ORDERED?  
UNCAR

Dear Mr. Batchelder,

As follows up to Tom Belmont's Call I would like to order the 1802 Reverse of 1800 G-2 Half cent which appears in "Cain Ward" for January 2, 1974.

As you probably know Half Cents by variety are my main interest. There may be some others which you mention in the ad which I may want.

Are any of the 1793-1800 ones identified as to Variety? Will you please call me (Collect) on 301-651-2240 so always always some place I can write you.

Sincerely

Roger S. Cohen Jr.

I am not enclosing a check as I understand ~~that~~ she 1802 is going out to London also first.

Rec  
1/1/74

Roger S. Cohen Jr.  
4720 Montgomery Lane  
Bethesda, Maryland 20014

Dear Roger,

I picked up the two coins that I told you about. They are on memo to me. What do you think they are worth?

The first coin is the 1794 G2 Groton piece. I still think it might make a 20 but if you think it is a 15 - I'll still keep it at that on my list of G2's.

The second coin is the 1795 G7. What do you grade it. It looks a lot like your plate coin although yours might be a bit better.

Do not send them back to me. I'll give you a call on Monday or Tuesday.

Tom Gutman  
907 PHILLIPS ROAD  
WARMINSTER, PENNA.  
18974

Rec 1/10/74

Dear Roger

Enclosed find an article I plan to submit to P.W. Let me know if there are any errors in the text or pictures.

I have a nice black copy of the pictures to submit.

Yours  
Tom

Dear Roger -

Enclosed find a coin that was sent to me by Dan Moreles of EAC. He says it is worth about \$10.00 and wants a draped bust of equal value for it. Take a look at it and the rubbing of my die state 3. Is this an earlier state than mine? If it is let me know. If it is the 14th or same let me know! If it is the same and you want it send another <sup>coin of</sup> equal value to me for him. If you don't have a coin to send you can send a check to me. (Make it out to him) - ~~to feed~~

So far no one has written me about the EAC meeting. I guess they have other people to do it.

That's it for now

Tom Katman

1974

Dear Roger

① Enclosed find 1804 G9 - Please send me one that is equal or better in trade for this one.

② Enclosed find the Donole struck 1805 what interested you. Place a value on it.

③ I would like to receive from you the following coins if you have them

- 1804 G6 first issue 168 or better
- 1805 over + with the obv die break G10 or better
- 1804 G5 without the obv die break F12 or better

Place a value on them if you have them.)

If I owe you money I'll send you. If you owe me money you send to me.

④ Enclosed find the 1797 G4 without the raised <sup>what</sup> neck - for your inspection

Yours truly

Thomas S Katman

THOMAS S. KATMAN

907 PHILLIPS ROAD

WARMINSTER, PENNA.

I expect to be in Waco on 18974

Sunday April 2 until Wednesday (now) April 24

Rec 7/18/14

Dear Rogers

1. Enclosed find a picture of the 1804 Gilbert 9 die states. Please make any changes you know of. Are there any intermediate states?

2. Enclosed find a Gilbert 3 of 1805. Do you think it will grade Good if or what?? Note half cent on reverse.

3. Note the pressing of the 1806 obv. It has the stems on the reverse. Which one is it to the best of your knowledge. Can you tell from the poor picture.

Yours truly

Thomas S. Katman

THOMAS S. KATMAN

907 Phillips Road

WARMINSTER, PENNA 18974.

P.S. I'm still interested in the 1808/7  
(If you have it - and you want to sell it)  
With the obv die please

P.P.S. I may attribute some half  
cents for a local coin dealer before  
over

She goes to ANA

7/18/74

Dear Tom,

Enclosed are my observations on 6-9 of  
1804. You never seen your slate 4.

The 1805 showed grade as a 3.  
The sharpness is that of a 5 or 6 but  
the Corrosion reduces it. Just How  
Much is a Matter of Opinion.

I can't tell much from the rubbing of the  
1804 6-2. I would like to see the  
Cain at some time.

I hope this is fast enough for  
you and keep the goodies coming.

Sincerely  
Roger

1/12/75

Dear Roger,

(1) Enclosed find the picture you sent me. Thank you!

(2) I plan to go to New York City for EAC convention on February 15<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to come up here the 14<sup>th</sup> (and then go up) let me know.

(3) I have seen the following 1784 Gilbert 4 obverses. On early die state without the bulge to the left of the L of Liberty.

(2) A late die state. A very late die state showing all the breaks with the break from Y of Liberty down to the face completely releasing the twist of the die and Liberty is completely strong and strong. There there is no weakening. The break through B of Liberty appears as a beautiful fine crack. (Like reverse of G 11 of 1804).

Yours truly,

Thomas Hartman

907 Phillips Road

Warminster, Penna

18974



A local collector has a beautiful  
1800 struck over a large cent.  
You can make out the wreath, tail and  
a couple of letters of one cent. It  
is about a 45% coin

Sunday 2-9-75

Dear Tom

It was good speaking to you yesterday and I hope to get together next Saturday. I enclose my want list. If you have any of these that you want to get rid of let me know. If anyone sends for something you don't want let me know.

Want list

- 1781 G2, G3 (in book only) G1 (with no back matter)
- 36, G7
- 1795 B7 G5 disk
- 1797 B3
- 1803 G1, G4
- 1804 G8 (state & non state)
- 1805 G4
- 18087 (with obscure back mat)
- 1811 (with 2 star back mat)

Any of these would be greatly appreciated. I would appreciate your letting me know these to me by 2-15-75 unless you feel it's better if you don't want it.

Yours truly  
Thomas S. Peterson

ROGER S. COHEN, JR.  
4720 MONTGOMERY LANE  
BETHESDA, MD. 20014

7/16/75

Dear Tom,

Your article on P 169 of the 7/15/75 P-W was nothing new to me and this writing as I feel that certain things need to be written.

First: Nowhere in the article do you give any indication as to your source of information. Perhaps it was edited out, but I believe that you should take the trouble to at least thank those persons who helped you assemble this information. <sup>2 NOC</sup> I know it was not the only one who helped you, but I think a little humility in your writing is necessary.

3rdly I note you are the only person who wrote on Half Cents in this issue who is dogmatically insisting on Gilbert Numbers. Perhaps you missed Chud Funk's letter in the <sup>March 15, 1975</sup> January ~~February~~ issue of P.W. His Point 2 may be of interest to you.

Sincerely  
Roger

Dear Roger -

I got your letter of 7/16/75 and was ~~well~~ faced after I ~~first~~ read it. I will reply to your comments in order.

1<sup>st</sup> You are correct.

2<sup>nd</sup> I agree if you replace the word ~~Humility~~ with Courtesy! Within the confines of F.A.C. I am quite aware that I'm not top dog in half cents. In fact if you really look at the half cent biffs I probably won't ~~shake~~ make C.C.

3<sup>rd</sup> I have read the 3/15/75 letter you mentioned (1 minute ago). I still use Gilbert numbers because he listed them all (with the exception of 3 or 4) and I have the Gilbert Numbers down pat. I should list C numbers at the top like Milt does whenever I write something. However I don't think that the half cent fraternity have put away the

Gilbert numbers yet  $\frac{1}{2}$  as the large  
cent people have forgotten Hays etc.  
There ~~is~~ <sup>is</sup> just hasn't just not been  
enough time. I will try to  
remember to include both in the future.

Now that that is out of the way.

I was quite impressed by the number  
of half cent people (primarily or  
only half cents) who showed up in  
the last copy of Penny Wise.

I personally feel that a section  
on half cents within EAC would be  
fine but feel there are not enough  
people to warrant a separate Club  
or publication. I would hate to see  
them left out of Penny Wise. The cost  
of publication of a half cent journal  
could well be too high.

Once again I'm sorry for the  
lack of my part - John

THOMAS S. KATYAN  
907 PHILIPS RD.

WARMINTON, PA 18974

IGNORE  
THIS  
CHEAPSKATE

Dear Roger -

Enclosed find a clipping from "coin world" for your information.

(2) You may receive an empty package from Robert Batchelder of Ambler. If you get it - just throw it away.

(3) I have decided to become un-pure. I'm going to try and get some proof only half cents. If you know anyone who has some you can give him my name.

(4) Lately I have not been able to pick up much new in the way of half cents. While my collection is small compared to most it is complete enough that the local dealers and local shows don't help too much.

(5) Recently I have picked up some nice Colonials. I may keep them ~~or~~ and start. However the problem with that is that someone comes up with a half cent and off they go. The FCI - EAC sale is really great for picking out varieties.

⑥ It seems a couple 1795 ~~at~~ ~~at~~ C3  
have been found recently found.

⑦ Do you know how many letters  
rage 1797 half ante Robert Shaw has? Is  
he sitting on a pile of them?

Yours

Tom Hartman

ROGER S. COHEN, JR.  
4720 MONTGOMERY LANE  
BETHESDA, MD. 20014

8/16/75

Robert F. Batchelder  
1 West Butler Ave.  
Ambler PA. 19002

Dear Mr. Batchelder.

1 I received the enclosed certified package from you and note the following:  
1 The only thing in the Safe-T-Mailer was the piece of white paper which is being retained.

2 The envelope had not been opened in the postal service.  
3 I have not ordered any coins from you for over 18 months.

Will you sign me a note onto what has happened?

Very truly yours  
Roger S. Cohen

This was a cleaned up  
shipment to avoid sales tax.  
You were to be notified by  
Tom Kettner of Wurmeister of the  
shipment. (He made a purchase)

Thank you  
Eileen C. Keith

**ROGER S. COHEN, JR., P.A.**

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

4720 MONTGOMERY LANE

BETHESDA, MARYLAND 20014

PHONE 657-2249  
FEB 1975

Robert F. Batchelder  
1 West Butler Avenue  
Ambler, Pennsylvania 19002

Dear Mr. Batchelder:

This is to inform you of my objection to being used as an accessory by your firm and Mr. Katman in his efforts to defeat the Pennsylvania sales tax.

How you choose to handle your transactions is normally none of my concern; however I insist that in the future you do not make them my concern.

Thanking you for past coins which I have purchased, and I hope to hear of any other interesting Half-Cents you may acquire,  
I am

Very truly yours,

Roger S. Cohen, Jr.

cc: T. Katman

RSC/xh

**ROBERT F. BATCHELDER**

1 west butler avenue, ambler, pennsylvania 19002

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(215) 643-1430

Rare Coins  
Autographs

August 25, 1975

Roger S. Cohen, Jr. P.A.  
4720 Montgomery Lane  
Bethesda, Maryland 20014

Dear Mr. Cohen:

The package from Mr. Katman was sent to you at his request. He advised us that you were in agreement to having packages sent.

I am sorry that what he told us was apparently not so.

Very best regards,

*R.F. Batchelder*  
Robert F. Batchelder

RFB/eck



THE BATCHELDER BUILDING — OUR SUBURBAN PHILADELPHIA OFFICES  
HOME OF ONE OF AMERICA'S LEADING COIN BUYERS AND SELLERS

8/73

Dear Roger

Your recent letter to Robert Batchelder was here when I arrived back from vacation.

① The use of your name was solely my fault and not his! I thought I had spoken to you about this some time ago but obviously I didn't. I apologize for using your name and am sincerely sorry! I should not have done it without your explicit permission and can only plead guilty to a lack of good taste.

Don't like any of this particular incident against Mr. J. Batchelder as it was my fault.

② From the sterile manner in which you notified me of your displeasure in this ~~matter~~ matter and the tone of your previous letter it is obvious that you are quite mad at me for this and other actions! While I hold ~~any~~ <sup>some</sup> ill feelings towards you at all (~~for any reason~~) it is apparent that you find me a ~~leper~~ leper. Since the information flow was quite lopsided (you to me) I will not

intrude upon your privacy and bother  
you. I am truly sorry you feel this  
way towards me but I will not  
force myself upon you in the future.  
Should my assumptions be incorrect  
please let me know! ~~not hearing~~  
~~from you will~~ If you choose not  
to write at all I will understand.

Your friend

Thos. S. Katman

THOMAS S. KATMAN  
907 PHILLIPS ROAD  
WARMINSTER, PENNA.  
18974

3 Saxyng Drive  
Cinnaminson, N.J. 08077  
December 20, 1966

Roger S. Cohen, Jr.  
4720 Montgomery Lane  
Bethesda, Maryland 20014

Dear Roger:

I plan to submit the following letter to the editor of Penny Wise in the near future. Since your name is used in the body of the letter I am enclosing this copy for your approval or comment. The article (letter) is not paragraphed as of yet but will be done prior to submission. I enclose a stamped self addressed envelope for your convenience.

Yours truly,  
Thomas S. Katman  
THOMAS S KATHMAN

WILLIAM PENN CHARTER SCHOOL

3000 W. SCHOOL HOUSE LANE

PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA 19144

Dear Mr. Geller,  
I have just read Ronald J. Geller's  
article in 1/15/76 PW, and what I'm writing  
must be altered to reflect this. My first  
reaction was the same but there will be some  
changes in the body of the article.

Thomas J. Kattman

It has been three years and many issues of Penny Wise since Roger S. Cohen wrote his rarity rating and condition census article on half cents. By now most of the information has been absorbed by the half cent community. However, I am reasonably sure that there is information about condition census coins that is not being made available to the collecting group. One of the excuses I hear is that people grade differently. A coin that one person values as a 15 Roger S. Cohen Jr. carries as a 20 or vice versa. Thus some people can't be sure where a coin fits in or even if it does fit in. Also in some cases a "new" coin may be a duplicate of one already listed. One way to partially solve this problem would be to place the name (or names) of a previous owner of the coin along with its listing in the condition census, much like that of the large cent revision done by Denis W. Loring.<sup>2</sup> Then if someone knows of a possible unlisted condition census coin he would have a better idea as to whether the coin was already included in the list. Also by knowing what coins were included in the list a coin could be placed (closely if not absolutely) in the census.

~~if~~ even if the grading is not identical. The present homes of condition Census pieces need not be published although I'm sure this could be done in some cases with the present owners permission. Another piece of information which would be good to know is where a particular coin is listed in an auction catalog. This would be a good piece of information since some people are accumulating auction catalogs. This would also aid in picking coins in this paper order. Personally think that this might be a piece of information that could be useful to the ~~large~~ cent collectors if this was done in the ~~large~~ cent revisions.

Foot notes

1. Roger S. Cohen Jr., "More Half Cent Information," Penny Wise, 7, 15 November, 1973, 226-231.
2. Denis H. Loring, "The Early Cent Revision - Part 2," Penny Wise, 7, 15 May 1973, 90-92.

12/23/76

Thomas J. Hartman  
3 Saxony Dr  
Clemmons NC 27012

Dear Tom,

You don't need my "approval" to send anything to P.W. for publication unless you are quoting from "American Half Cents."

One of the things I have tried to encourage is the writing of articles so that the backlog of knowledge of Half Cents will be increased. I am not a Censuror nor should my "approval" be solicited.

I will make comments which should be free to do whatever a person wants to do with it.

Now to your article. I would suggest that you read CAREFULLY my write up on CONDITION on Page III of my book AMERICAN HALF CENTS. I also suggest you read CAREFULLY the introduction to my article in P.W. where I gone the Condition Censur as I knew it as of September 1973. Next I would suggest that you go over what Milt Pfeffer has written in P.W. Other than these suggestions I have nothing further to comment on.

Sincerely  
Rogers

Rec'd ANSW

1/23/78

Dear Dr. Lister:

While we were at the Western Show you indicated that you sometimes take hyperactive if some -kayf could help you have any of these I followed up & found what you have and how much you want for them.

1794 G2

1794 G3 (NO DRINK)

1794 G5

1794 G6

1803 G4

1804 G4 FIRST AND THIRD asymptomatic (no drink)

1805 G5 (No drink)

I have packed up — with a lot of

Yours

J. H. Wm. S. Keltan

ANSWERS S. Keltan

S. S. Keltan

1794 G3

G1 G2

1794 G3

7/78

Dear Roger

It was a pleasure talking to you.  
I learned quite a bit.

I am looking for the following  
coin and die states if you have any  
duplicates you want to get rid of.

1794 G2, G3 (NO BREAK), G6

1803 G4 break only I picked up unbroken one.

1804 G9 NOBREAK

1804 G9 cut break as pictured in your book.

1808 over 7 TY and break.

Yours truly

Thomas S. Katman

THOMAS S. KATMAN

3 SAXONY DRIVE

CINNAMINSON, N.J. 08077

P.S. If you decide to come to the  
Garden State Show 8-3 to 8-6  
and want a place to stay let me  
know. I'm 15 minutes from the  
hotel.

Dear Roger

While at the Wilmington Coin Show you indicated that you might be able to send the set of slides used for my use. I would like to know if it will be possible to borrow them for the February meeting. The meeting is the 26<sup>th</sup> of February.

I expect to be taking a group of students to Washington on February 20<sup>th</sup>. I might be able to get to the Suburban Washington show that day. Are you planning to attend?

Yours truly  
Thomas S. Katman

THOMAS S. KATMAN  
3 SAXONY DRIVE  
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TO: Tom KATZMAN

FROM:

ROGER S. COHEN, JR., P.A.  
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## MESSAGE

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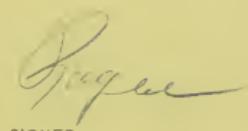
2/15/79

FOLD

Enclosed are the Slides

Please Return

I Done



SIGNED

1/17/81

Dear Tom:

I never finished my Project  
in regard to the Red Book. Ken Boscott  
left W. Hartman and went with Koen.

What I do is with the Redbook is complex  
anything that is suggested starts a very good  
chain of being added to such an extent that  
it loses its meaning. There are also space  
limitations and you have to keep in mind it's  
not for the specialist. I have felt that the redbook  
is designed to "hook" a person on coin collecting.

As far as American Half Cents is concerned I  
have 250 copies left. This should be enough  
for 2 years 1981 + 82 - But I've got to get  
back with my pencil to put down what's in  
my record book and head. We started off coarse  
but the other prospective authors haven't finished.  
I'm planning a number of changes.

I assume you saw the Stanley Catalogue  
of Portraits Half Cents. I wonder if he'll buy them  
back as he has done in the past.

Sincerely

Pogue

12/30/80

Dear Roger -

The second Gleason set arrived 12/19/80 for Christmas. Since 12/20/80 I have been in bed with the flu. I'm getting a lot of letters written.

The latest package of books arrived in good shape. I have been selling them to the local dealers. None of them (small guys) even know of its existence. They are each buying one for their personal collection. What do you think will be the present supply of books last? If I remember correctly you said about 2 years ago that the books should last 2-4 years. Are those numbers still good?

Some time ago you wrote a form letter to some of your half cent collector friends about the red book (form letter). Did they ever give you an indication as to when they plan to make use of your ~~expat~~ ex pat.

Yours

E. M. Deacon

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10/23/81

Thomas S. Hartman  
3 Somogy Dr.  
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CC Section  
+ 1795  
Variety  
1795-81

Dear Tom,

Enclosed are some pages from my manuscript for the 2nd Edition which should be released at the end of December. There are a lot of changes such as New photos, Rarity changes, Completely new sections such as a History of Halfcent Collection etc..

My concern in writing to you has to do with the Condition Census on 1795 G-8 (#28). One list of CC coins I recent stated that you had a specimen of this Coin in VF-20 which had been acquired from The Home of Stuart. The list was from Del Blund who wrote he had seen the coin. I do recall that that you acquired a 1794 G-8 (#5) <sup>in VF 20-22</sup> <sub>in September 1973</sub> from the Home of Stuart at a coin show that you and I discussed the purchase.

Would it be possible for you to clarify this matter? The enclosed material on the Variety is based on the following coins

UNC	Edward - Miller & Gold - ?
AUNC	Breen - ?
VF	Eaton - Anderson Dupont - RSC
F	Neil - Brabekton - SG West - Endelman - TIC
✓	W. Walker (Double Strike)
✓	Warkfield - ?
✓	Warkfield - ?

I now have records of 14 specimens. Not exactly the one I am writing you about.

(Ours)

KITMAN

1/13/82

Dear Tom,

What shall I talk about at the  
Meeting on 4/26? I'll give you a  
number of subjects.

- ① I can always give my talk on  
Half Cents with the slides which you need  
once.
- ② I could talk on the process of turning out  
the 2nd Edition - I have kept all the papers  
and could make up quite an exhibit. also  
have photos.
- ③ If Breen's Book is out I could  
Point out the differences from mine

Don't let me know what you  
think would be the best subject.

Sincerely

Roger.

Rec  
1/13/82

3 Saxyng Drive  
Canaanumon NY 10807  
1-604-786-8726

Dear Roger -

In looking at my half cents I arrived at the following conclusions.

1. I have not added anything to my collection in this year! (My fault - Maybe market's fault.)

2. I'm afraid to bring some of the coins out of the safety deposit box since they are now worth a lot of money. I had ~~had~~ them out of the box three times in the last year or so.

3. It is just no fun having some of the high value Liberty caps any more -

4. I plan to get rid of some of them. Just about any that are worth \$750<sup>00</sup> or more) I've sent out a couple of letters to people who need them. I realize you don't need or want any of these but feel I owe you the courtesy of a letter of intent. I'll let you know who gets what!

Yours truly,  
Tom Kalman

P.S. It looks like you are going to win your bet on Walter's book. I wished you hadn't since the book may have some info I am ignorant of.

KATIE KN

4701 SANGAMONITE RD

BETHESDA MD  
20812

1/1/83

Dear Tom,

Your thoughts on your Collector are of interest and I recognize them. However you are mistaken that I would not be interested in acquiring any of your coins.

Despite what you may think it always seems that I can use an up grader or another die state, so could you send me a list of what you're unloading?

I too am sorry that this warning my self in regard to Walter's "MAJOR OPUS" caused it to be that there is nothing in the way of info for them to add. I don't think so, but if you create checklists such as Collins, Breen & Hansen have you can't help but be tripped by your own actions. There is a world of difference between saying "longer to write a book" and actually having such an item available for sale. Walter has "threatened" since 1952 and even if he had had a book published do you think he would be accessible to persons interested in the subject? I'm sure you realize that I have been watching what has been going on in regard to Breen book. Particularly since Jack Collins announced in October 1981 that <sup>their</sup> the book was to be a "Sides" issue. "You were to be on their side or Rogers side" you couldn't help Roger and them". Breen, Collins & Hansen have of course modified this position and the happenings over the last 15 months are a saga in themselves which I may commit to paper to be published upon my demise if anyone is interested.

Enough of this. Please send me a list.

Sincerely  
Roger

Phone  
609-786-8726 RDC 1/10/83

1/5/83

Dear Roger

I plan to keep 90% - 95% of the coins but get rid of 75% of the value by the collection. Thus I am getting rid of some of the more expensive Liberty Caps. J.R.M. Hugo wants the 2 in Boston much  $35^{\circ} 95026 \times 94-8$ . You may be able to get the 94-8 as he may not be too interested in that one. Bob Yule wants the 94C1 & 94C5. I do not know if any other coins have any real value other than a couple of 97's that Gene Braig may want. I feel that there really isn't much else that is much good.

Sometime I would like to talk to you to find out about the last 15 months with respect to the Brew Book Scott Rubin (I think it was him) said he saw tear sheets or proofs or something like that.

Yours truly  
Tom

TO S-2  
09-1

Gen Pressing  
NO

Roger I don't really have a list or know what I want to get rid of except that the big coins are the ones I want to get rid of. With the big ones gone I can ~~still~~ play with them again!

1/15/83 Talked to M.C.B. He has purchased ~~some~~ Cori's /